

# Seminar Programme

Seminar-Nr. 18 |

## *Writers Seminar*

17.09. – 21.09.2018



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## Seminar Chair: Sean Hannigan Section UK IPA Vice President Culture

### Monday:

<b>bis 10.45</b>	<b>Arrival of participants</b>	
<b>11:00- 11:30</b>	Welcome by the conference center management to Gimborn, introduction of the seminar chair, and seminar agenda incorporating the opportunities to organize discussions and exchanges outside of the official seminar programme. General housekeeping comments	IBZ Team
<b>11:30- 12:30</b>	Introduction: sharing of personal interest in seminar, experiences and expectations, agree aims and objectives of the seminar <b>Exercise 1: Cryptic Clues</b>	Introductions and format of Seminar by Chair Sean Hannigan <b>SH</b> Colin McClean <b>CM</b>
<b>12:30- 13:45</b>	Lunch break	
<b>13:45- 17:30</b>	Afternoon session (including 30 minutes coffee break) Topics: <b>Panel 1</b> <b>Discussion on Writing directed by Participant questions on any aspect of writing</b> <b>Panel 2</b> <b>Introduce themselves in more detail</b> Method: demonstration, and discussion	Lecturer / speaker: <b>All Presenters</b> Colin McLean <b>CM</b> Peter Pleydell <b>PP</b> Claire Christain <b>CC</b> Neil Hallam <b>NH</b> Mark Thompson <b>MT</b> Gerard Brennan <b>GB.</b>
<b>17:30- 18:30</b>	Free time: sports activities, discussions	
<b>18:30- 19:15</b>	Evening meal	

## Tuesday:

<b>09:00– 12:30</b>	Morning session (including 30 minutes coffee break) Topic: <b>1 Review of Panel discussion</b> <b>2 What do Publishers look for in Writers/Writing? (please note that all participants will have a 20 minute one to one with Clare during the Seminar)</b> <b>3 Review Group individual presentations on writing</b>  <b>4 Develop a course Checklist of needs</b>	Lecturer / speaker:  <b>SH</b> <b>CC</b>  <b>ALL presenters</b> give feedback to participants on previously sent work. (small group/individual) <b>CM</b>
<b>12:30- 13:45</b>	Lunch break	
<b>13:45- 17:30</b>	Afternoon session (including 30 minutes coffee break) Topic: <b>1 Individual writing exercise all participants (sent already in participant pack)</b> <b>2 Participant favourite book start of 2 paragraphs (sent already in participant pack)</b> <b>3 Review an actual first draft of a published work (sent already in participant pack)</b> <b>4 Rewrite first book draft in 500 words in 45 minutes</b>	Lecturer / speaker: <b>All Presenters</b> Colin McLean <b>CM</b> Peter Pleydell <b>PP</b> Claire Christain <b>CC</b> Neil Hallam <b>NH</b> Mark Thompson <b>MT</b> Gerard Brennan <b>GB</b>
<b>17:30- 18:30</b>	Free time: sports activities, discussions	
<b>18:30- 19:15</b>	Evening meal	

### Wednesday:

<b>09:00- 12:30</b>	Morning session (including 30 minutes coffee break) Topics: <b>Review and update from Day 2</b> <b>1 first book draft reviews</b> <b>2 Plot developments</b> <b>3 Character development</b> <b>4 Factual writing development</b> Method: lecture, demonstration, and discussion	Lecturer / speaker:  <b>SH</b> <b>Presenter led</b> <b>Presenter led</b> <b>Presenter led</b> <b>Presenter led</b> (all in small groups)
<b>12:30- 13:45</b>	Lunch break	
<b>13:45- 17:30</b>	Afternoon session (including 30 minutes coffee break) Topics: <b>1 Plot development exercise</b> <b>2 Character development exercise</b> <b>3 Factual writing exercise</b>	Lecturer / speaker:  <b>Presenter led</b> <b>Presenter led</b> Presenter led (all in small groups)
<b>17:30- 18:30</b>	Free time: sports activities, discussions	
<b>18:30- 19:15</b>	Evening meal	

### Thursday:

<b>09:00- 12:30</b>	Morning session (including 30 minutes coffee break) Topics: <b>Review and update from Day 3</b> <b>1 Workshops and individual attention dependant on participant choice</b>	Lecturer / speaker:  <b>SH</b> Colin McLean <b>CM</b> Peter Pleydell <b>PP</b> Claire Christain <b>CC</b> Neil Hallam <b>NH</b> Mark Thompson <b>MT</b> Gerard Brennan <b>GB</b>
<b>12:30- 13:45</b>	Lunch break	

<b>13:45- 17:30</b>	Afternoon session (including 30 minutes coffee break) Topics: <b>2 Workshops and individual attention dependant on participant choice</b>	Lecturer / speaker:  Colin McLean <b>CM</b> Peter Pleydell <b>PP</b> Claire Christain <b>CC</b> Neil Hallam <b>NH</b> Mark Thompson <b>MT</b> Gerard Brennan <b>GB</b>
<b>17:30- 18.30</b>	Free time: sports activities, discussions	
<b>18:30- 19:15</b>	Evening meal	

**Friday:**

<b>09:00- 11:00</b>	Finish off Workshops (followed by 15 minutes coffee break)	Seminar chair SH <b>All Presenters</b> Colin McLean <b>CM</b> Peter Pleydell <b>PP</b> Claire Christain <b>CC</b> Neil Hallam <b>NH</b> Mark Thompson <b>MT</b> Gerard Brennan <b>GB</b>
<b>11:15- 12:15</b>	Presentation of the learning from the week and a look into the future. Was this a <b>Novel Success?</b>	Seminar chair SH <b>All Presenters</b> Colin McLean <b>CM</b> Peter Pleydell <b>PP</b> Claire Christain <b>CC</b> Neil Hallam <b>NH</b> Mark Thompson <b>MT</b> Gerard Brennan <b>GB</b>
<b>12:15- 13:15</b>	Distribution of feedback forms Feedback on the seminar	Seminar chair SH and IBZ team